SPIDER-MEN™ II
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YOU HAVE NO BUSINESS BEING SPIDER-MAN.
NONE OF THIS SHOULD'VE HAPPENED.
(IDIOT.)
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

HEY, MILES.
SERIOUSLY, WHERE DID YOU GO AND WHY ARE YOU HERE?
WHY ARE *YOU* HERE?
TO FIGURE STUFF OUT.
I NEEDED TO CONTEMPLATE.
I WAS JUST ABOUT TO START A PRETTY ROBUST INNER MONOLOGUE ABOUT MY RESPONSIBILITY IN THE ACCIDENTAL BUT *VERY* REALLY REAL LEGACY OF SPIDER-MAN AND--
YOU CAN'T TAKE IT BACK, YOU KNOW.
I KNOW.
I'M SORRY.
I *DID* SAY IT.
YOU SAID IT.
IT WAS MORE ABOUT--IF I MAY, IT WAS REALLY ABOUT WHAT WE WERE *JUST* TALKING ABOUT.
YOU'RE A *KID* AND *NOW* YOU HAVE THE ENTIRE WEIGHT OF *THE MULTIVERSE* RESTING ON YOUR SHOULDERS?
I'M TECHNICALLY A FULLY FUNCTIONING ADULT AND *I FEEL THE PRESSURE.*
I'M UNDER SO MUCH STRESS RIGHT NOW MY STRESS HAS ITS *OWN* STRESS.
MILES, *I'M SORRY.*
IT IS HOW YOU FEEL.
ONLY-- ONLY BECAUSE OF THIS.
LOOK WHERE WE ARE! LOOK WHERE WE--
WAIT.
LET'S--
YEAH, LET'S DO HONESTY.

I AM SO HONORED AND--AND YOU, YOU'RE *AN AMAZING SPIDER-MAN.*
YOU *REALLY* ARE.
AND I SAID TO A FRIEND OF MINE THE OTHER DAY, *GOD FORBID* ANYTHING EVER HAPPENED TO ME, I'M JUST GLAD *YOU'RE* THERE.
BUT I HAVE *ALWAYS* FELT WEIRD ABOUT YOU BEING SPIDER-MAN.
I'M PROUD *AND* IT WEIRDS ME OUT, TOO.
I HAVE BOTH FEELINGS IN EQUAL MEASURE.
I GUESS I ALWAYS HAVE.
I THINK THAT'S FAIR.
BUT NOT BECAUSE OF *YOU* AS A PERSON.
ONLY BECAUSE I WAS A TEENAGE SPIDER-MAN TOO, AND I KNOW HOW MUCH--HOW MUCH...
HOW MUCH OF SPIDER-MAN IS PAIN.
SPIDER-MAN IS YOUR *PAIN.*
WHAT?
NO.
NO, IT'S...
...OH.
HOLD ON...
YEAH.
OH, JEEZ.
IT TOOK ME A WHILE TO FIGURE IT OUT, TOO.
OH, MAN...

AND THIS MIGHT BE WHY SOMETHING IS OFF.
I AM NOT MYSELF LATELY.
I GO CHASING AFTER THINGS... LIKE THIS.
WELL, TO BE FAIR, THIS IS A THING.
ROBOT PARTS WENT FLYING OUT OF A RIFT INTO ANOTHER DIMENSION...RIGHT THERE, THEN TASKMASTER, AND THEN YOU FIND OUT A GUY WITH YOUR EXACT NAME IS BEHIND IT ALL.
THAT IS A LEGIT THING.
FORGET WHAT I SAID ABOUT BEING SPIDER-MAN...
HOW CAN I?
ONCE UPON A TIME, WHEN I WAS YOUR AGE, REED RICHARDS BLEW ME OFF SO HARD I CRIED IN MY MASK.
YOU DID?
AND I WAS JUST MAN ENOUGH TO ADMIT IT.
I'LL MAKE IT UP TO YOU. WE'LL DIG IN ON THIS!
WHO OWNS THIS BUILDING? WHY HERE? WHAT IS HAPPENING HERE THAT MAKES--
I CAN'T BELIEVE THESE WORDS ARE COMING OUT OF MY FACE, BUT-- I WISH S.H.I.E.L.D. WAS STILL A THING.
SOMEONE NEEDS THEM TO KEEP AN EYE ON--
WELL, I LEARNED A LONG TIME AGO NOT TO RELY ON THEM BECAUSE YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT--
THWIP
MM?!

GO!
WHATTHEHELLARE--
THWAPPP
PSSSSSSSSSSSSS
WEBSCANFILTEROUT--
LETSGO!
ITHASTOBE--
KRAA
SHOOM

WHEN PETER PARKER WAS BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER, HE GAINED THE PROPORTIONAL SPEED, STRENGTH AND AGILITY OF A SPIDER; ADHESIVE FINGERTIPS AND TOES; AND THE UNIQUE PRECOGNITIVE AWARENESS OF DANGER CALLED "SPIDER-SENSE"! AFTER LEARNING THAT WITH GREAT POWER THERE MUST ALSO COME GREAT RESPONSIBILITY, HE BECAME THE CRIMEFIGHTING SUPER HERO CALLED...

The AMAZING SPIDER-MAN

IN A DIMENSION VERY MUCH LIKE OURS, MILES MORALES WAS BITTEN BY A STOLEN, GENETICALLY ALTERED SPIDER THAT GRANTED HIM INCREDIBLE ARACHNID-LIKE POWERS. WHEN THAT DIMENSION'S PETER PARKER WAS KILLED BY THE GREEN GOBLIN, MILES CHOSE TO DEDICATE HIS LIFE TO THE LEGACY OF SPIDER-MAN AND BECAME...

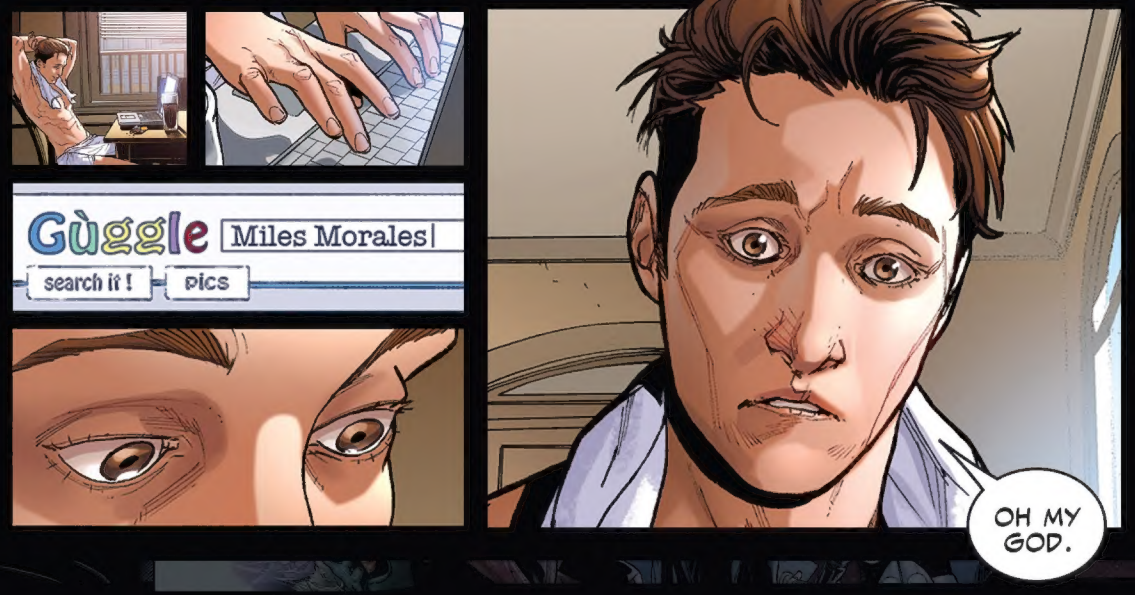
SPIDER-MAN

SPIDER-MEN II

PART FIVE

THE SPIDER-MEN FIRST MET WHEN A VILLAIN BROKE THROUGH THE WALL BETWEEN THEIR DIMENSIONS. AT THE TIME, PETER SEARCHED FOR A MILES MORALES IN HIS WORLD, AND FOUND...NOTHING. ALL RECORDS OF THAT MILES HAD BEEN ERASED WHEN HIS BEST FRIEND, THE FORMER KINGPIN WILSON FISK, HELPED MILES ESCAPE A CRIMINAL LIFE TO MARRY HIS SOULMATE, WHO PASSED AWAY SOME YEARS LATER.

SINCE THEN, MILES MORALES AND MANY OF THE PEOPLE HE LOVES HAVE BEEN BROUGHT INTO PETER'S UNIVERSE, WHERE HE'S CONTINUED FIGHTING CRIME WITH PETER'S BLESSING. BUT IN A TENSE MOMENT, PETER SEEMED TO REGRET THAT. INVESTIGATING A NEW DIMENSIONAL RIFT THAT DROPPED ROBOT PARTS ACROSS THE CITY, THE SPIDER-MEN ENCOUNTERED THE MERCENARY TASKMASTER, WHO BEAT THEM BOTH AFTER MILES GOT DISTRACTED CHASING TASKMASTER'S EMPLOYER: MILES MORALES.



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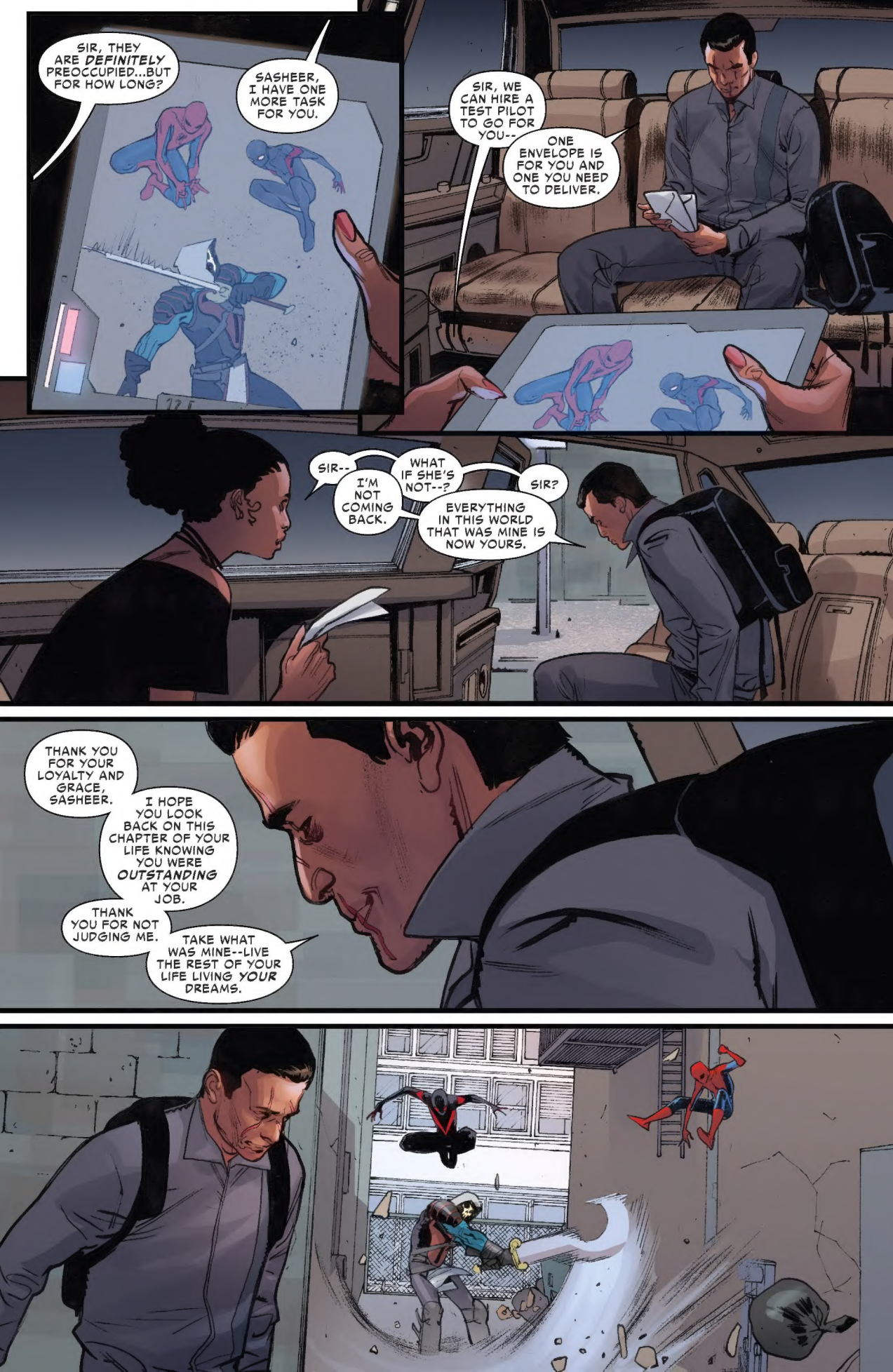
SACCRAASSHH
JEEZ!
I GOT THIS!!!
OH YEAH?!
WELL, YEAH!
(HE'S STILL MAD AT ME.)
THWIPP
BAD ENOUGH I STILL HAVE THE THREE OF YOU UP MY NOSE ON THIS, I HAVE TO GO CHASING YOU ACROSS STATE LINES?
THREE?
WHY COULDN'T YOU FIGHT ME IN JERSEY WHERE I HAVE MY--?
SMAAZZT
GARFG!
WHO ARE YOU?
VENOM BLAST.

YOU CHANGED YOUR NAME TO "VENOM BLAST"?
I HIT HIM WITH MY VENOM BLAST.
BIT OF A TIME DELAY.
OH, YEAH. NICE.
YAARRGHHH!!!
BECAUSE I WAS GOING TO SAY, VENOM BLAST IS A WEIRD NEW NAME FOR A--
AFTER YOU.
OH, THANKS.
CRAAASSHH
"WHAT'S HAPPENING?
"CAN YOU TELL?"
"THE SPIDER-MEN ARE DISTRACTED."
"THEN IT IS TIME."


SIR, THEY ARE *DEFINITELY* PREOCCUPIED...BUT FOR HOW LONG?
SASHEER, I HAVE ONE MORE TASK FOR YOU.
SIR, WE CAN HIRE A TEST PILOT TO GO FOR YOU--
ONE ENVELOPE IS FOR YOU AND ONE YOU NEED TO DELIVER.
SIR--
I'M NOT COMING BACK.
WHAT IF SHE'S NOT--?
SIR?
EVERYTHING IN THIS WORLD THAT WAS MINE IS NOW YOURS.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOYALTY AND GRACE, SASHEER.
I HOPE YOU LOOK BACK ON THIS CHAPTER OF YOUR LIFE KNOWING YOU WERE *OUTSTANDING* AT YOUR JOB.
THANK YOU FOR NOT JUDGING ME.
TAKE WHAT WAS MINE--LIVE THE REST OF YOUR LIFE LIVING *YOUR* DREAMS.

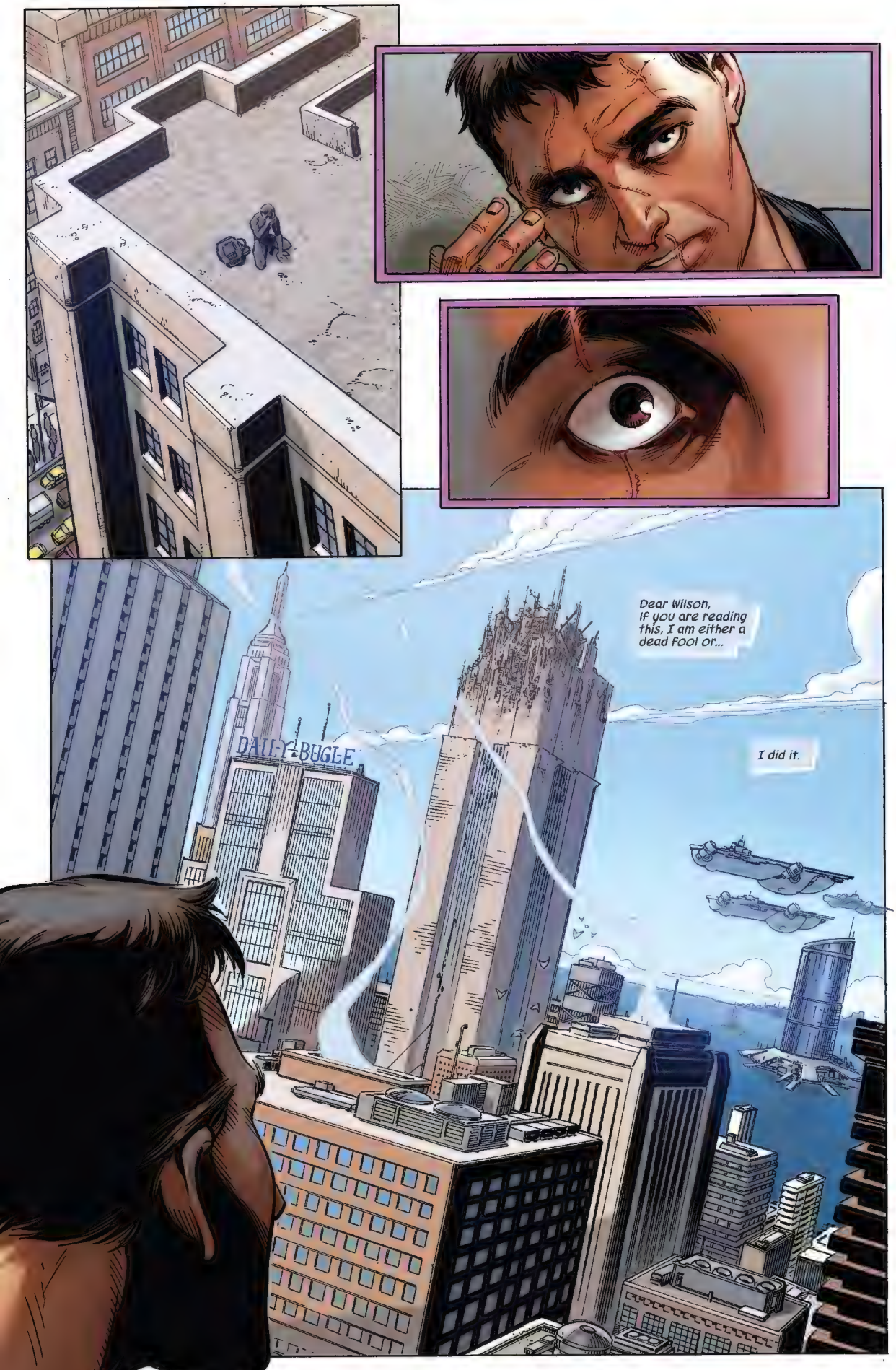
WHAT'S ON THE OTHER SIDE?

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?
MY--MY NAME IS MILES MORALES.
I JUST--
BAM
HE WENT FROM DRESSING LIKE ME TO BEING ANNOYED BY ME AND I CAN'T HELP BUT--
I DON'T CARE!
BAM

SMACK
THAT'S WHY I WORK ALONE!
STOP!
NOOO!!!

OKAY, FINE...
RRRR...
RRRAAAGGHH...
SHOULDER!
RRAAGGH!

I GET THAT YOU'RE ATTACHED TO THE PLACE, BUT I HAVE TO TELL YOU...
...I DON'T THINK THIS RENT-CONTROLLED APARTMENT IS WORTH THE HASSLE.
IT DOES HAVE A HELL OF A VIEW.
WELL, IT DID.
NOW? NOT SO MUCH.
WUF.
JAMES BOND ENDING.
NICE.
I WAS HOPING FOR SOMETHING WITH A LITTLE MORE CLOSURE.
CLOSURE.
YOU'RE FUNNY.
THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS CLOSURE.
LET'S SCRAM.


Dear Wilson,
If you are reading this, I am either a dead fool or...
I did it.
DAILY BUGLE

I made it to the other side.
Leaving our friendship behind was the only thing keeping me from trying this.
I thought you'd want to know that.
But I had to.
had to try to find her.
WINE BAR
I could not lie there one more lonely night thinking of all of life's missed opportunities.
Big and little.
The things fear keeps us from.
I wanted to live the rest of my life knowing I had at least taken the biggest chance.
It's hard to explain, but I felt compelled to do this.
Beyond reason, yes.
I hope it isn't a secret wish to--
Here you go...
Uh, I haven't ordered yet.
You'll love it.
Try it.
On the house.

I sent a man to find her first.
That is amazing.
Yes!
Hey, do we know each other?
My name is Miles.
I'm Barbara.
God, you look so familiar.
I was-- honestly, I was thinking the same thing.
And this. You made this? This is your place?
Once I knew for a fact my Barbara was alive somewhere...
Seriously?
You've never been in here before.
No.
I--I heard good things.
Maybe it's-- it's the scar that's bothering--
No.
Scars are cool. Sexy.
What's good here?
Depends. You in the mood to be adventurous?
I hope I find you, Wilson.
I hope there is a you over there.
I hope we get to raise hell one more time.
I hope I can tell this you about my amazing adventure and how you inspired it.

I told you, I cannot be killed!!!
"I hope you'll believe me."
SMACK
Stop reminding me!
CRASH
Man oh man with this guy, right?
Hey!
Friendly neighborhood Spider-Man. Sorry.
Everyone okay?
(Woo, I pulled something...)
Sorry, everyone!
Sorry!
But don't worry, the gang is all here...
Right behind me.

Osborn *again?*

I thought it was gonna be that creepy skull-faced dude who beat up Reggie 9.

You gotta let that go, Riri!

*Dude, where **are** you?*

You know where I am, MJ.

Well, Gwen and May are waiting.

Get this, with a new boyfriend.

*Gwen has a **new boyfriend?***

*No. **May** does.*

Um...

Did that fully sink in?

No.

I don't think it ever will.

*Okay, well, you are making us all **late** to Kong's "coming home from the army" party.*

Oh man, I totally--

Forgot. Yes.

Move your tush, Tiger!

Tush moving.

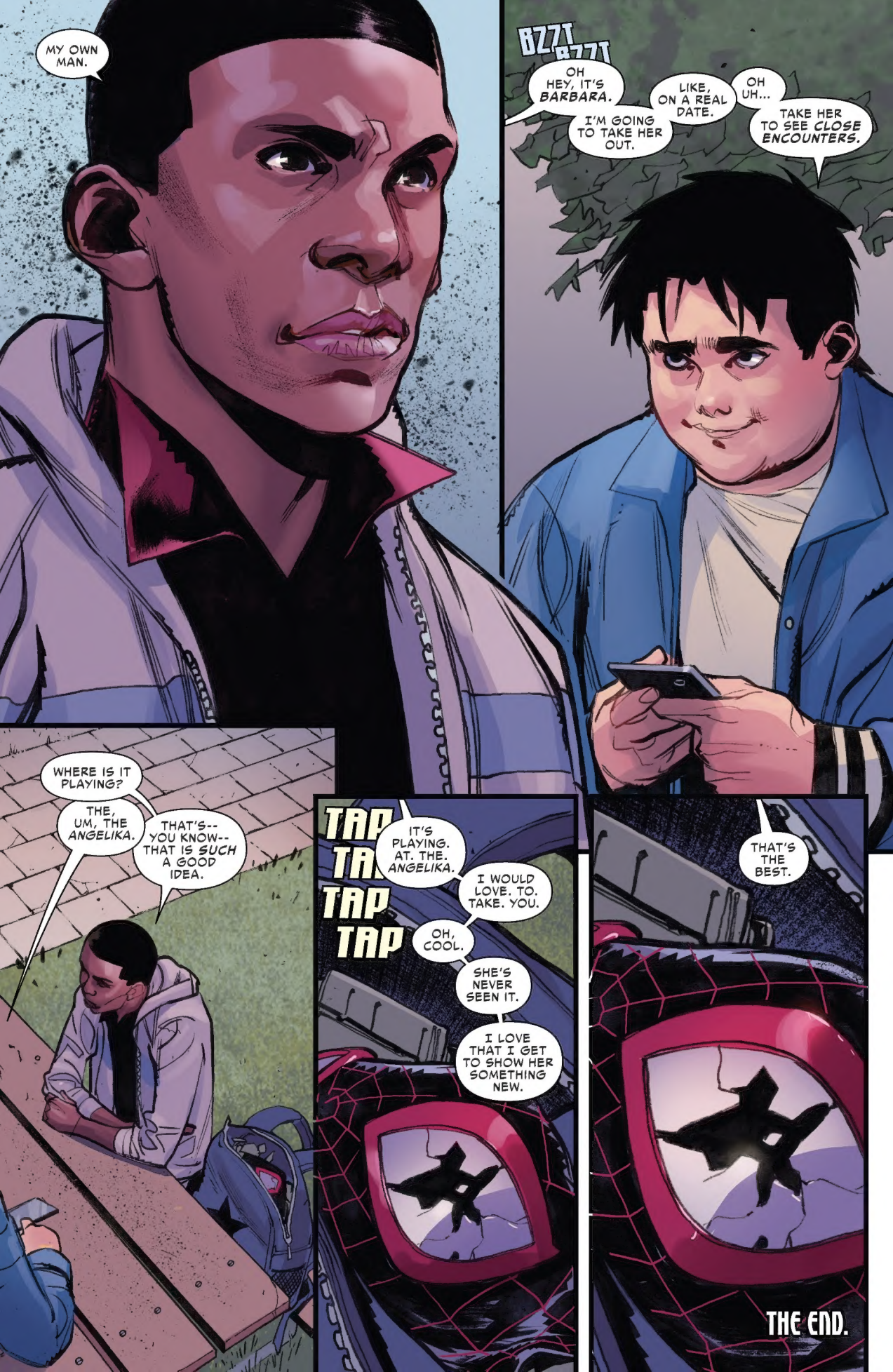
Come.

I'll help you clean up.

Oh, uh, thank you.

"BUT MILES, I DON'T UNDERSTAND..."

MILES...
I KNOW I PLANTED THIS SEED ABOUT SEEING WHAT ELSE IS OUT THERE FOR YOU...
...BUT--BUT YOU BEING SPIDER-MAN--
--IT--IT *MEANS* SOMETHING.
IT *MATTERS* TO PEOPLE.
I'M JUST GOING TO... FIND OUT WHAT *ELSE* I MIGHT BE.
OKAY, OKAY OKAY OKAY...
BUT FOR REAL...
...IF YOU'RE *NOT SPIDER-MAN*, WHAT WILL YOU BE?
WHAT COULD POSSIBLY BE *BETTER* THAN BEING SPIDER-MAN?


MY OWN MAN.
BZZT BZZT
OH HEY, IT'S BARBARA.
I'M GOING TO TAKE HER OUT.
LIKE, ON A REAL DATE.
OH UH...
TAKE HER TO SEE CLOSE ENCOUNTERS.
WHERE IS IT PLAYING?
THE, UM, THE ANGELIKA.
THAT'S-- YOU KNOW-- THAT IS SUCH A GOOD IDEA.
TAP TAP TAP TAP
IT'S PLAYING. AT. THE. ANGELIKA.
I WOULD LOVE. TO. TAKE. YOU.
OH, COOL.
SHE'S NEVER SEEN IT.
I LOVE THAT I GET TO SHOW HER SOMETHING NEW.
THAT'S THE BEST.
THE END.

WANT MORE? CHECK OUT

SPIDER-MAN

ON SALE NOW!

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